

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/020,230

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the after final amendment filed 3/13/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59, 60, 63 and 64.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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UNITED STATES PATENT EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

- This action is responsive to the after final amendment filed on March 13, 2006.
- The amendment filed March 13, 2006 has been entered into the record.
- Claims 1, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59, 60, 63, and 64 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 15, 29, 38, 47, 48, 55, 56, 63, and 64 have been amended. Claims 45, 46, 49, 50, 53, 57, 58, 61, 62, 65 and 66 have been cancelled.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see pages 11-15, filed March 13, 2006, with respect to claims 1, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59, 60, 63, and 64 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The prior art rejection of claims 1, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59, 60, 63, and 64 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 24, 28, 29, 37, 38, 43, 44, 47, 48, 51, 52, 55, 56, 59, 60, 63, and 64 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claim 1 is directed to an information processing apparatus for generating print data in a regular mode and a special mode. Claim 15 is a method including method steps that the apparatus of claim 1 performs. Claim 29 is directed to a computer

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readable medium comprising computer executable instructions to perform the method steps of claim 15. These claims identify the uniquely distinct features of generating print data in a special mode by automatically generating first and second print property information, and generating a single print job including a first group of commands and first print data, and a second group of commands and second print data. The closest prior art Hicks et al. (US 5481353), applied in the final action teaches a printing system for generating a first print job and subsequent second print job for presentation distribution (as previously shown). Hicks et al., either singularly or in combination with cited references, fails to anticipate or render the above unique limitations obvious when used with other claimed limitations.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dillon J. Murphy whose telephone number is (571) 272-5945. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8-5.

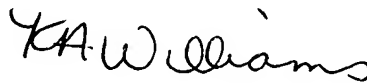
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly Williams can be reached on (571) 272-7471. The fax phone

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number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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